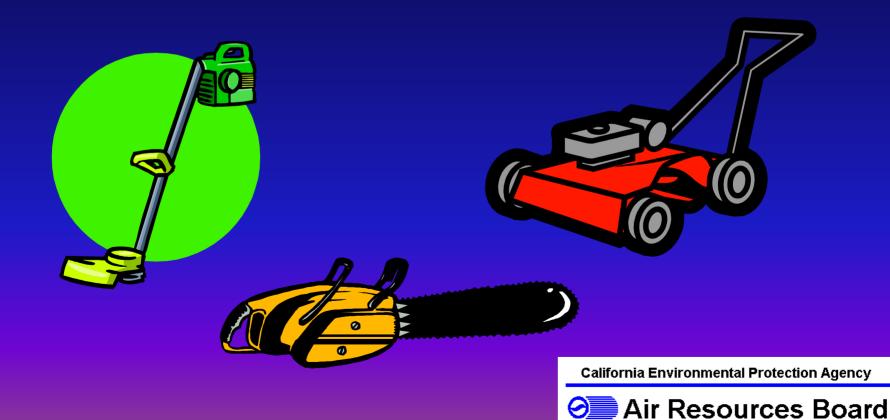
# Control Measure to Reduce Emissions from Small Off-Road Engines (SORE)

Mobile Source Control Division Monitoring and Laboratory Division California Air Resources Board September 25, 2003 Board Hearing



### **Outline**

- Background
- Proposed Exhaust Emission Standards
- Proposed Evaporative Emission Standards
- Environmental Benefits
- Economic Impacts
- Conclusion

# Small Off-Road Engines and Equipment (SORE)

- Engines ≤ 19 kW
- Two and four-stroke engines
- Lawn and garden and small industrial equipment
- Preempt: farm and construction equipment
   < 175hp</li>

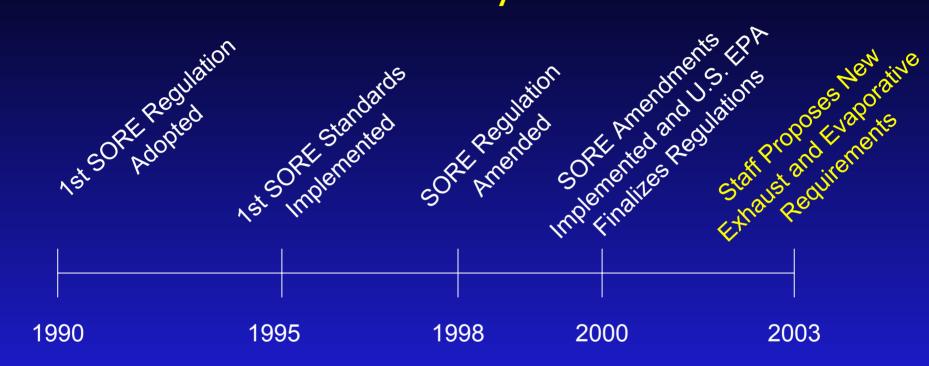
# **Examples of SORE Equipment**







## History

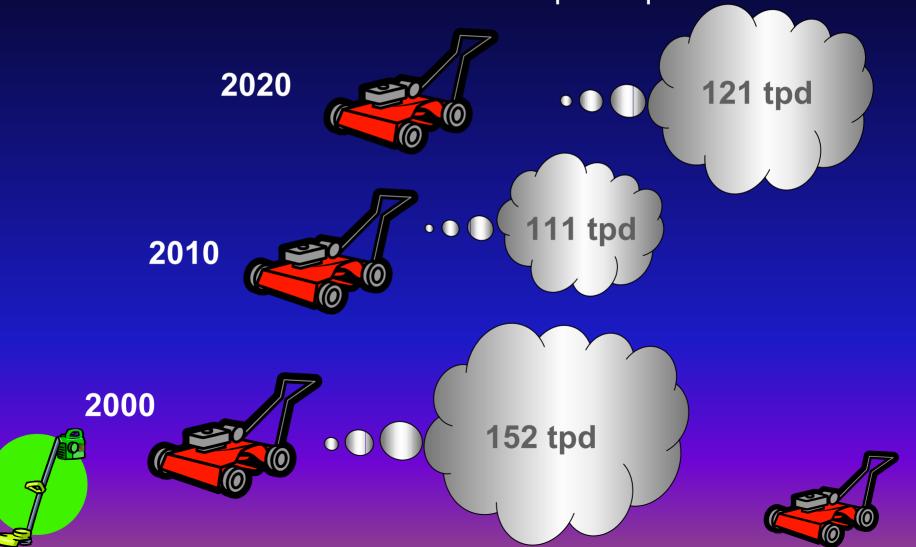






## **Need for Regulation**

Exhaust and Evaporative Emissions Statewide HC+NOx Baseline - Nonpreempt



### **New SIP Commitments**

- Includes two SORE measures
  - SMALL OFF-RD-1
  - SMALL OFF-RD-2
- Staff's proposal designed to accomplish goals of both measures





# Proposed 2005 Handheld Standards Tier 3

- Align with most stringent U.S. EPA HC+NOx standard for engines < 50 cc</li>
  - 50 g/kW-hr
  - 30% reduction from current standard



## Handheld - Exhaust Tier 3 Levels Already Met By Some

- Currently 25 CA engine families certified to levels below proposed Tier 3
- Includes all types of handheld equipment
- Technologies
  - Four-stroke
  - Two-stroke with a catalyst
  - Stratified scavenging
  - Two-stroke/four-stroke hybrid
  - Electric equipment

# Proposed 2007/8 Nonhandheld Standards Tier 3

- Staff's Original Proposal
  - >80 <225cc: 8.0 g/kW-hr, 2007+ MY
  - 225cc and above: 6.0 g/kW-hr, 2008+ MY
- Alternative Proposal
  - >80 <225cc: 10.0 g/kW-hr, 2007+ MY
  - 225cc and above: 8.0 g/kW-hr, 2008+ MY
- Standards based on the use of a catalytic converter



# Catalyst Test Program to Show Technical Feasibility

- Three-way catalyst
- Secondary air injection
- Some enleanment of A/F

Engine	Power (kW)	Application
B&S #1	4.8	WBM
B&S#2	4.8	WBM
Tecumseh	4.8	WBM
Honda #1	4.1	WBM
Kawasaki	14.2	Riding Mower
Honda #2	8.2	Generator



## **Catalyst Pictures**





B&S #2

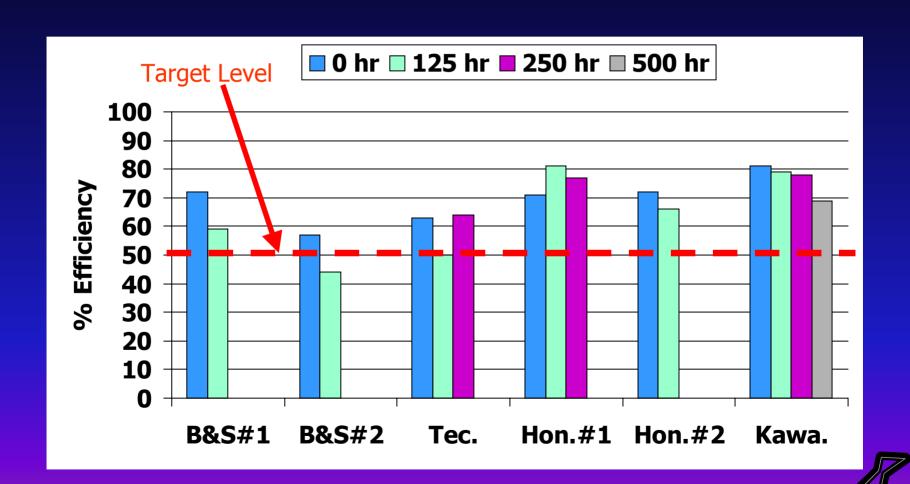
Muffler with Cat

Original Muffler

Kawasaki

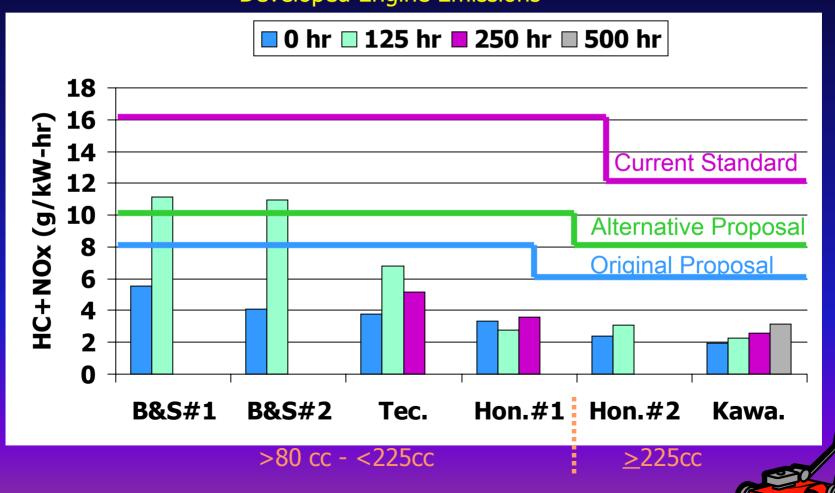
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## Catalyst Efficiency



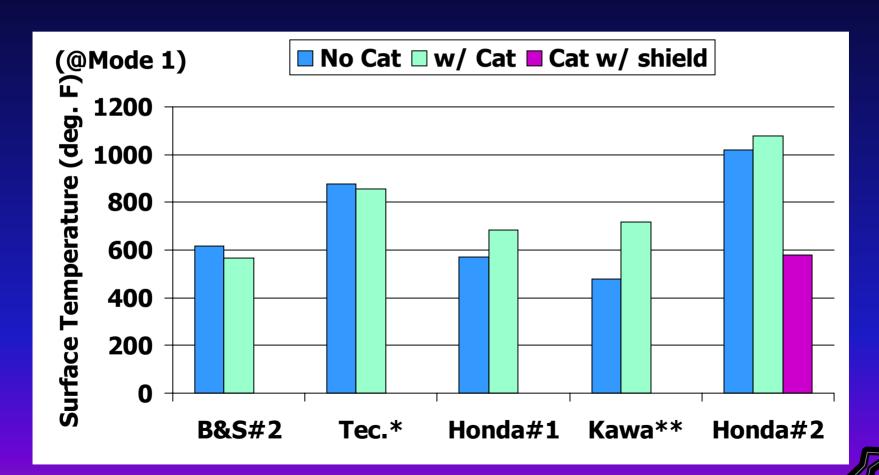
### **Exhaust Levels Achieved**

#### **Developed Engine Emissions**



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## Muffler Surface Temperatures



<sup>\*</sup> At 250 hours

## Summary of Proposed Tier 3 Standards

		HC+NOx
		Standard
Size (cc)	MY	(g/kW-hr)
< 50	2005+	50
<u>&gt;</u> 50 - <u>&lt;</u> 80	2005+	72
>80 - <225	2007+	8/10*
<u>&gt; 225</u>	2008+	6/8*

<sup>\*</sup> Alternative Standards





## "Blue Sky" Engine Standards

- Voluntary
- HC+NOx levels 50% of Tier 3 standard
- Provides opportunity for clean label and incentives
- Includes zero-emission engine eligibility





# Additional Changes to Exhaust Regulations

- Alignment with U.S. EPA
  - < 25 hp vs.  $\leq$ 19 kW
  - 1000 hour durability option
  - Test procedures
- Handheld limit raised to 80cc





# Additional Changes to Exhaust Regulations

- Warranty Defects Reporting
  - Voluntary/Ordered Recall
  - Included in Exhaust and Evaporative Program
- Additional text to clarify use of cooling fans during testing







# Sources of SORE Evaporative Emissions

Vented Emissions (Tank & Carburetor)

**Fuel Line Permeation** 

**Fuel Connectors** 

**Fuel Tank Permeation** HC HC HC HC

### Overview

- Evaporative Emission Control Elements
- Control Technology and Test Data
- Industry Issues
- Nonhandheld Alternatives
- Comparison of Alternatives
- Overall Cost Effectiveness
- Conclusions





## **Evaporative Emission Control Elements**

- Handheld standards
- Nonhandheld standards
- Certification





## Handheld Standard

SORE Equipment Category	Effective Date Model Year	Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m <sup>2</sup> /day	Diurnal Standard Grams HC/day
<u>&lt;</u> 80 cc	2007	2.0	None



## Nonhandheld Standards

SORE Equipment Category	Effective Date Model Year	Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m <sup>2</sup> /day	Diurnal Standard Grams HC/day
Walk-Behind Mowers > 80 cc - < 225 cc	2007	None	1.0
> 80 cc - < 225 cc Excluding Walk- Behind Mowers	2007	None	0.21 * Tank Volume (gal.) + 0.95
<u>≥</u> 225 cc	2008	None	2.0



### Certification

- Requires certification of evaporative families
- Handheld tanks
  - Tested per TP-901
  - Certified per CP-901
- Nonhandheld equipment
  - Tested per TP-902
  - Certified per CP-902





## Permeation Control Technologies

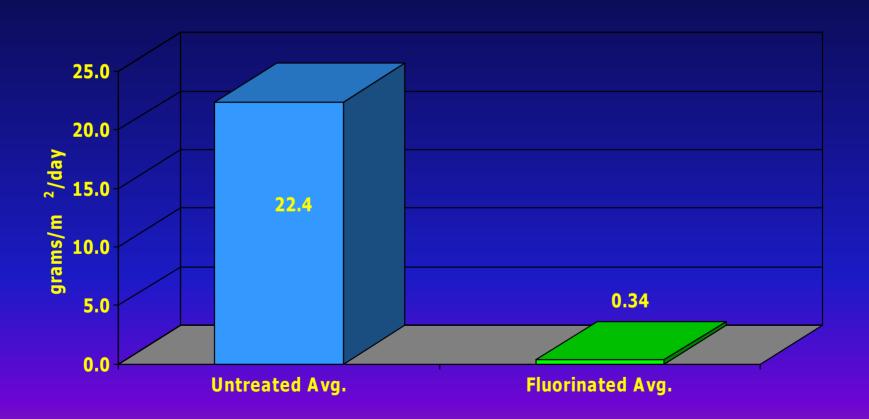
- Tanks
  - Metal and coextruded tanks, nylon tanks, and barrier treatments
- Connectors, Gaskets, and Hoses
  - Thermoplastic materials, Viton®, and Teflon®





## **ARB Permeation Test Data**

Untreated HDPE Tanks vs. Optimized Fluorinated Tanks



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## **Diurnal Emission Control Technologies**

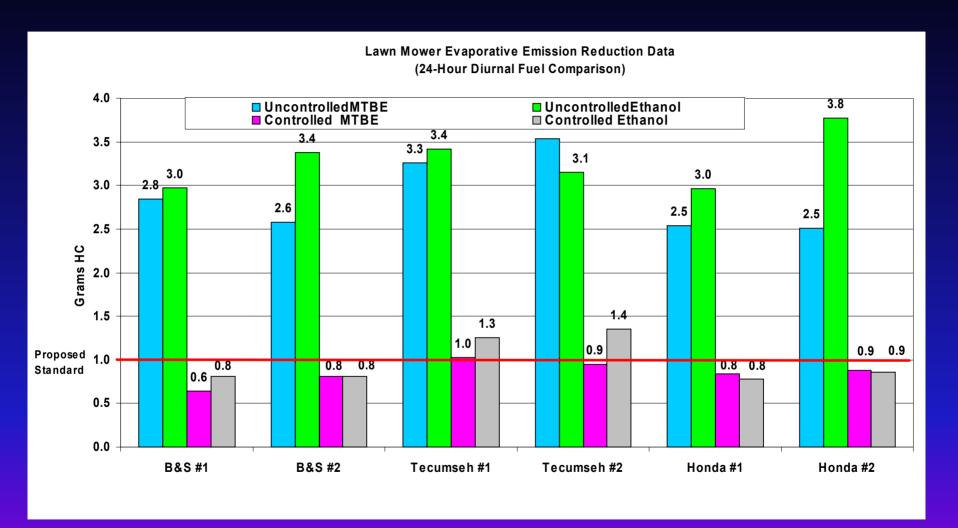
- Sealed systems
- Carbon canister systems
- Hybrid sealed systems



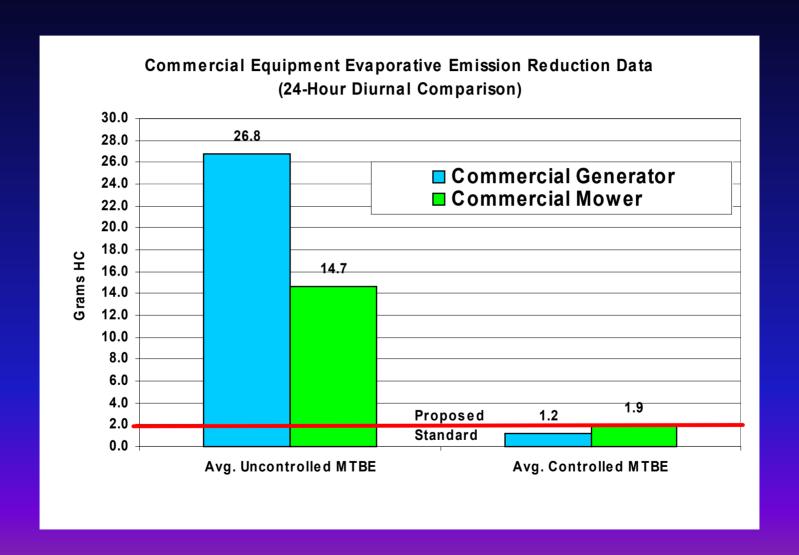
# Diurnal Emission Control Technologies ARB Feasibility Testing

- ARB tested prototype equipment
- Six mowers configured with:
  - sealed systems,
  - fluorinated HDPE tanks
  - low permeation fuel lines
- A generator and commercial mower configured with:
  - carbon canisters
  - metal tanks
  - low permeation fuel lines

## ARB Test Results for Sealed Systems



## ARB Test Results for Canister Systems



# Additional Changes to the Evaporative Proposal

- Adjust canister working capacity in TP-902
- Require small volume manufacturers to submit a letter of conformance





## **Industry Issues**

- Standards too stringent
  - Exhaust
  - Evap.
- Proposal lacks flexibility
- Costs too high





## Alternatives Suggested by Industry

- Alternatives presented by Briggs & Stratton, EMA/OPEI, and Honda
- Staff evaluated alternatives
- Alternatives 1 and 2 developed from industry proposals





### Nonhandheld Alternatives

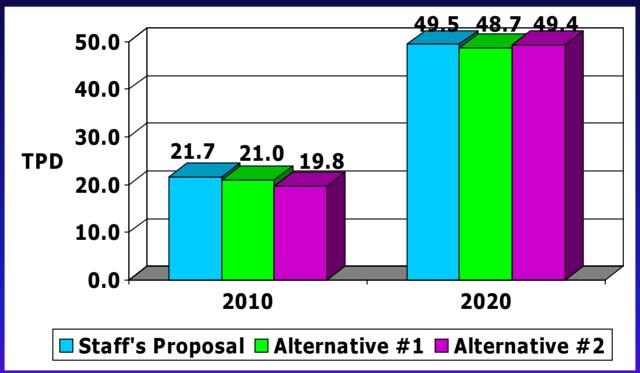
### Alternative 1 and 2 would:

- Provide nearly same emission reductions
  - Greater evaporative emission reductions
  - Less exhaust emission reductions
- Provide flexibility for compliance
- Reduce costs
- Meet SIP commitments



## **Overall Emission Reductions**

Statewide Comparison of the Alternatives (Annual Average Tons Per Day for Nonpreempt Equipment)







## 1<sup>st</sup> Alternative - Major Elements

- Achieves additional evaporative emission reductions (running loss)
- Requires testing of complete engines
- Implements low permeation hoses one year early
- Allows fleet averaging



## 1st Alternative - Nonhandheld Standards

Effective Date Model Year	Engine Displacement	Fuel Hose Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m2/day	Diurnal Standard Grams HC/day
2006	> 80 cc	15	None
2007 and 2008	> 80 cc - < 225 cc	15	1.2 + 0.21*tank vol. (gal)
2009 WBMs	> 80 cc - < 225 cc	15	1.0
2009 Non- WBMs	> 80 cc - < 225 cc	15	0.95 + 0.21* tank vol. (gal)
2008	≥ 225 cc	15	1.2 + 0.21* tank vol. (gal)



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternative - Major Elements

- Achieves additional evaporative emission reductions (running loss)
- Requires testing of Class I walk-behind mowers (WBMs)
- Implements low permeation fuel hoses two years early
- Reduces compliance testing (design standards)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternative - Nonhandheld Standards Class I Engines, > 80 cc - < 225 cc

#### Walk-Behind Mowers

Effective	Fuel Hose	Diurnal Standard
Date	Permeation Standard	Grams HC/day
Model Year	Grams ROG/m2/day	
2005	15	None
2007 thru 2011	15	1.3
2012	15	1.0

#### Non Walk-Behind Mowers

Effective Date Model Year	Fuel Hose Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m2/day	Fuel Tank Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m2/day	Carbon Canister or Equivalent Butane Working Capacity Grams HC/Liter Tank Vol.
2005	15	None	None
2007 thru 2011	15	2.5	Per TP-902
2012	15	1.0	Per TP-902

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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternative - Nonhandheld Standards Class II Engines, ≥ 225 cc

Effective Date Model Year	Fuel Hose Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m <sup>2</sup> /day	Fuel Tank Permeation Standard Grams ROG/m²/day	Carbon Canister or Equivalent Butane Working Capacity Grams HC/Liter Tank Vol.
2005	15	None	None
2008 <sup>1</sup>	15	3.0	Per TP-902
2010 <sup>2</sup>	15	None	Per TP-902
2013 <sup>1</sup>	15	1.0	Per TP-902

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> First year of implementation 90% of production volume must be compliant increasing to 100% the following year.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Applies to small volume manufacturers.

### **Overall Cost Effectiveness**

- Handheld Equipment \$1.71 to \$6.21 per pound of HC reduced
- Nonhandheld Equipment \$0.20 \$4.30 per pound of HC+NOx





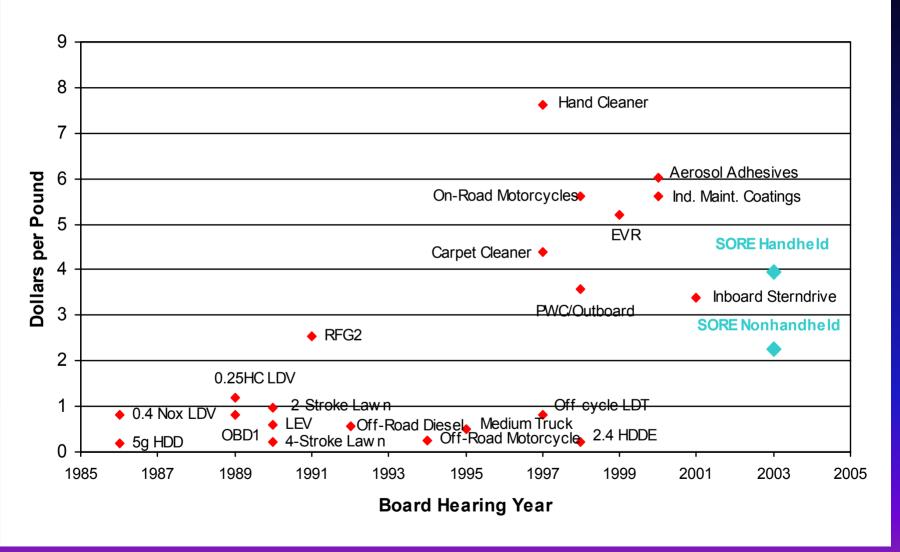
## Estimated Retail Price Increase

- Handheld Equipment \$2.16 to \$4.84
- Nonhandheld Equipment \$37 to \$179



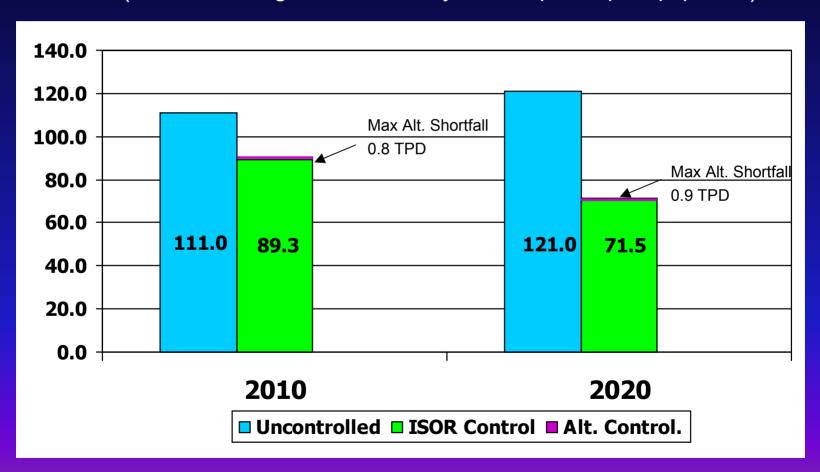


#### **Cost Effectiveness of Major Regulations**



## Comparison of Controlled Emissions

(Annual Average Tons Per Day for Nonpreempt Equipment)



### **Conclusions**

- Proposal and alternatives provide significant emission reductions
- Proposed controls are cost effective
- Standards are attainable with existing technologies
- Staff recommends Board adoption including alternatives



